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Filed: concurrently herewith)	
For: Expression of Somatotropin in)	
Plant Seeds)	

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Dear Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

We are simultaneously filing herewith a divisional application of United States serial no. 09/210,843 filed on December 18, 1998. Please enter the following amendment in the divisional application.

In the Specification:

Please amend page 1, lines 4 to 9 as follows:

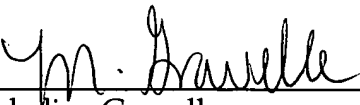
The present application is a divisional of USSN 09/210,843 that was filed on December 15, 1998, which is a continuation-in-part of USSN 08/846,021 that was filed on April 25, 1997 (now U.S. Patent No. 5,948,682), which is a continuation-in-part of USSN 08/366,783 that was filed on December 30, 1994 (now U.S. Patent No. 5,650,554), which is a continuation-in-part of USSN 08/142,418 that was filed November 16, 1993 (now abandoned), which is a continuation-in-part of USSN 07/659,835 that was filed on February 22, 1991 (now abandoned), all of which are incorporated herein by reference.

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